

I have been a licensed Amateur Radio Operator for 48 years, getting my Novice in January 1955 and earning my Amateur Extra in 1977. I became a VE in 1984. Further, I worked in electronics for 20 years and am now a Professor Emeritus, having retired from a major community college district after twenty years. I am neither an engineer nor attorney, as many of the writers of petitions and comments seem to be. Still, this background gives me good insight into the level of knowledge needed to function on technical and communications planes.

I speak only for myself, not for any amateur related organizations that I belong to; nor do they speak for me.

My opinion of RM-10806 is that it is a great broad discussion of the merits of Morse code, more persuasively than many other petitions. He states that the FCC should permanently retain the current Element 1 without modification.

Therefore, I would support this RM.

Thank you for reading and considering my view on this Rulemaking.

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